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Director
Office of Child Care
330 C ST SW, 4th Floor
Washington, DC 20201

Dear OCC Director:

This letter describes how Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians plans to use the Child Care and Development Funds (CCDF) awarded under the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSA). We understand that this description will be used for the purpose of informing the Office of Child Care, Administration for Children and Families and Congress how our Lead Agency anticipates using the funds to support the child care needs in our jurisdiction.

We plan to use CRRSA funds for activities in the following categories:

1. Direct Services/Subsidies

- The CRRSA Funding will be used to continue to provide direct services without gap to our current providers, as well as broaden the scope to bring on new potential providers. The TLA will also give priority to those providers who care for essential workers' children, so that essential workers can continue to work without the worry of lack of childcare.

2. Implementation of Virus Mitigation Policies and Practices

- The TLA will be using CRRSA funding to implement virus mitigation and practices by providing extended health and safety equipment, PPE etcetera for all providers in the program. This will ensure that our providers can stay proactive in keeping spaces sanitized appropriately for tribal children.

3. Grants or Assistance (Other than Subsidies) to Stabilize Child Care Providers

- The TLA is in the process of composing mini-grants to issue to all providers that are currently caring for tribal children to support the stability of their work and assist them with any increase in expenses due to the current public health crisis.

4. Assistance to Providers Not Participating in the Subsidy System Prior to the Pandemic

- We do not have a plan and are awaiting further guidance and information.

5. Other

- CTCLUSI does not plan to spend CRRSA funds under the heading of "other".

The Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians will amend our CCDF plan as a result of activities implemented under CRRSA funding not currently described in the plan, within 60 days of implementation.

Sincerely,

/s/

Sharol McDade

CEO

The Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians

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GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Overview: All CCDF lead agencies (states, territories, and tribes- including 102-477 tribes) will submit a letter of approximately TWO pages describing how they plan to use the funds provided by CRRSA. The law requires reports to be submitted by February 25, 2021 (which is 60 days after enactment). Email letters to your RPM and address it to the Director. We expect to acknowledge receipt of reports, but do not have a formal approval process.

Components: Letters must cover the following categories that align with the requirements and recommendations included in CRRSA:

- Direct Services (Subsidies);
- Implementation of Virus Mitigation Policies and Practices;
- Grants or Assistance (Other than Subsidies) to Stabilize Child Care Providers;
- Assistance to Providers Not Participating in the Subsidy System Prior to the Pandemic; and,
- Other.

Lead agencies who have not yet determined how they will spend their CCDF CRRSA funds should indicate that and include a timeline and plan for deciding how they will be spent.

Revisions: These reports outline initial plans at the date of submission, but are not binding. Lead agencies may change how they plan to use their CCDF CRRSA funds after submitting their letters and do not have to submit a revised report. Those data will be collected through other means. Please keep in mind outcomes of CRRSA funded activities will be reported on, so ensure for data collection mechanisms prior to implementation of activities.